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Dear Karen,

I would like to thank you and FDJ for the kind hospitality extended to me during my recent visit to Berlin. I am enclosing a short report about my tour hoping you will find it of some interest.

If I remember well I mentioned to you the lack of good leaders on our camps and that we would like to have some leaders or coleaders from Socialist countries as well. Now our British branch has asked us to invite Heidemarie Becker who has taken part in some six FDJ cosponsored camps in the DDR to help lead a camp in England this coming summer. Of course we can extend to her a private invitation direct, but I thought it would be much better if she came officially through the FDJ channel.

I know the terrible difficulties you face each time you want to send someone to western countries, because of the so-called Allied Travel Bureau in West Berlin, but still we would appreciate it very much if you could try. In case it is absolutely not possible for you to do this, SCI could then send a private invitation, and if England is excluded because of the obstruction of the Allied Bureau we would be glad to invite her to Austria. In any case SCI would be in charge of all expenses.

An early reply as to whether FDJ could help in this matter would be highly appreciated.

With best wishes and greetings,
Yours sincerely,

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